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BID DAY



BRITTANY KEITHLEY | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
JULIE NEWLIN AND Megan Benware lead chants Tuesday during sorority Bid Day outside J.W. Jones Student Union. New members are required to sit on their bids for an hour before they can join their new sisters.

Career Pathing program teaches self defense

BY EMILY DEMAREA
 Chief Reporter

What would you do if you were walking alone down a dark alley, and you felt an unfamiliar presence behind you?

This situation was just one of many presented at the Be Your Own Bodyguard presentations, held yesterday in the Union Ballroom. During these presentations, University Police officer Kristina Martinez led students through different ways they can defend themselves in situations that involve assault.

Each year, Martinez teaches free classes on self-defense, so people know how to react quickly in intense situations.

“When they have a gun or a knife to your head, that’s when you kick, scream and cause as much attention as possible,” Martinez said. “Once they get you away from the public and alone for themselves, that’s when you’re really in trouble.”

Each of Martinez’s three sessions began with a group discussion about assault. After the students got a better understanding for why self-defense is so vital, Martinez went over the four steps to respond to an attack. She taught the students a base stance, giving the offender a warning, the defense stance and the defense techniques, including blocks and parries. Once the students learned the four steps, Martinez wasted no time getting out the pads and equipment for the students to physically engage.

“I learned several new techniques, including some that will prevent self injury during defense,” marine biology major Kate Walter said.

Walter, along with 23 other students, attended the 9 a.m. session.

“The presentation was outstanding. It is helpful for all students, so they can avoid potentially harmful events,” Walter said.



HOMETOWN FAVORITE

Local Hy-Vee greeter provides award winning smile

BY TREY WILLIAMS
 News Editor

Passionate. That is the word Fred Mares used to describe his feeling toward the customers whose day he brightens and who keep him motivated ‘One Day at a Time’.

It is that passion that led Mares to be named one of Hy-Vee’s Legendary Customer Service Award winners. Although this award is only given out once a year to nine employees out of the approximately 56,000 nationwide, Mares does not see it as simply a personal victory.

“I am so glad that the word customer is included in this award,” Mares said. “You are a part of this award, it’s about you.”

One person able to share this award with Mares is one of many customers turned friend, Martha Drake. Drake and Mares sang together on many occasions, and although she has only known him for a year, when they talk, it is as if they are old friends.

“He is someone that just lifts your spirits,” Drake said of her good friend. “And he takes a sincere interest in getting to know people.”

Mares has been a friendly face at Hy-Vee for 12 years, serving a decade of that as “the greeter.” In his time there he has made many connections and lasting memories, like the one of little three-year-old Abrielle Neff, who was killed in a car accident three years ago.

“Her grandmother used to always bring her into the store,” Mares explained. “And maybe it was my day off or I was in another part of the building, she

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LORI FRANKENFIELD | PHOTO EDITOR
(ABOVE) HYVEE CUSTOMER GREETER Fred Mares talks with fellow employee Brian Palmer after he comes in the store to pick up some groceries. Mares as been working as Hy-Vee’s greeter for 10 years. **(BELOW) FRED MARES SHOWS** Martha Drake his award sign hanging up at the front of the store on Main Street. Mares and Drake are friends outside of Hy-Vee aswell, they have sang together many times.

A relay worth every single step

BY CASSIE THOMAS
 Chief Reporter

A moment of silence to remember those who have lost their lives brings a halt to all activity, and only the sound of crickets and shuffling feet can be heard. A display of luminaries purchased by families who have lost loved ones surround the walkway. They light the pathway as the participants continue to walk despite the night’s stony grasp.

This was the scene at the 13th annual Nodaway County Relay For Life, which was held at Beal Park Sept. 11. Relay For Life is a global event that brings community members together for one night a year to fight back against cancer in one of the only ways they know how – to raise money for research to find a cure.

Lesley Schulte put many hours of hard work into the Relay for the second year in a row as the even chair. She was also head of the entertainment and ceremonies committee.

Schulte has been involved with the Relay since 2001. Her involvement began as a team member when she noticed the poster during her first year working at St. Francis and decided to sign up to walk the midnight shift. Like many participants, this event is meaningful to her.

“Like everyone else, cancer has touched my family,” Schulte said. “It’s something that has affected me.”

The fun, however, is not the only thing that makes these events memorable to Schulte. She enjoys seeing the impact that the luminaries have on participants.

“It’s the time to honor and remember,” Schulte said. “People really get to reflect. It’s the more solemn portion of the night.”

Some participants in the Relay have been affected by cancer within their families, while others are there to support their friends who have struggled with the disease. Others still have had an even deeper connection – their personal fight against cancer.

The night is not only to remember those who have lost their lives to cancer, but also to celebrate the lives of those who have conquered it.

Kathy Roach has been affected in each of those ways by cancer. Roach was given the opportunity to stand on stage and tell her story to those in attendance.

Roach spoke of how her first reaction to cancer was always negative – both her father and daughter had died of lung

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ASHTON CORSON AND Gabi Schroeder hold each other while names of lost ones are read off at the Relay For Life event on Saturday at Beal Park. Sigma Society and 38 Missouri Academy students represented the University at the events as one member walked for over 11 hours.

LORI FRANKENFIELD | PHOTO EDITOR

Yearbook prepares for annual portraits

BY NATALIE FRY
Missourian Reporter

The Tower Yearbook staff is preparing for the upcoming yearbook portraits. However, with the heavy load of classes and other extracurricular activities, students may wonder if getting a yearbook portrait should be a priority.

"It's not necessarily important, but most students have already purchased a yearbook and may be unaware of it.

I tell them this and then say, 'You might as well get your picture in it,'" Allie Richard, Tower Yearbook Editor-in-Chief, said. "Even if they don't care about it right now, they will want to look through their college yearbook in twenty years and see what they looked like."

The Yearbook Staff encourages students to participate in portraits. Informative e-mails have been sent out to students and posters have been taped to walls in the student residential complexes. If students would like their mark on the 2010-2011 Tower Yearbook, next week is the only opportunity. The staff will not be holding retakes.

"It takes literally 90 seconds and then you're done. If you have pride for your University's football team or your fraternity or sorority, then you should show that you care about Northwest as a whole," Richard said.

The portraits are being taken on the second floor of the Union over a period of four days, Sept. 20-23, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mark Greathouse of Greathouse Photography out of Lenexa, Kan. will take the portraits. Interested students may sign up with Tower Yearbook representatives in the Union on Thursday, Sept. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

LED WELCOME SIGN



LORI FRANKENFIELD | MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

JEFF STRUEBY OF Holtman Masonry construction prepares to place bricks for the stand of the new LED sign near the Mabel Cook Recruitment and Visitor Center. The sign will welcome visitors as they enter the University via west fourth street.

Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship: One year later

BY MATT LEIMKUEHLER
Features Editor

The Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship has been officially open for one year, showing growth and expansion in both the incubator and academic wings of the building. The building is increasing its occupants with expanding programs and building businesses.

The incubator wing of the CIE is composed of four businesses: Carbolytic Materials Company, Practical Sustainability LLC

of Chesterfield, Riley and Rabel Consulting, LLC and Alyoop.

An incubator in this instance can be described as a facility that is there to help businesses get started on the right foot with the proper working facilities and resources through the University. Thomas Billesbach, Dean of Booth College of Business and Professional Studies claims the incubator is used to help the businesses grow.

"We charge 70 percent of the market rate for the first the years to help them out," Billesbach said. He also explains the plan is to have

the businesses moved out of the incubator by their fifth year in the CIE.

The CIE has been working on filling tenants for the incubator for one year now, reaching close to 50 percent occupancy. Billesbach explains that filling tenants is a process that doesn't take place over night and the others could be filled any time within the next week to the next three to five years.

"We are pleased with the progress but there is a lot more to be done," Billesbach said. "Our primary goal on the incubator side is to spur economic development."

The CIE also created student employment opportunities in the last year, as many of the building's tenants look to hire qualified students to help their business grow and give students hands-on experience. There are 15-20 student employees in the CIE at any given time.

The academic wing of the CIE has also shown growth over the course of its year in occupancy. It plays host to various classes, including Genetics, Molecular Biology and

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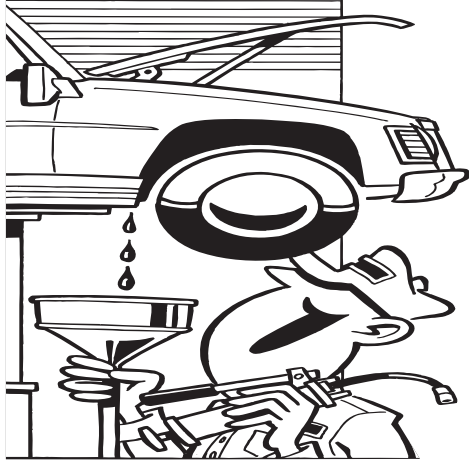
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The faces of hunger

Second Harvest food bank provides hope

BY KARRA SMALL
Missourian Reporter

Nearly 49 million people are at risk of hunger in the United States. Of those people, an estimated 5.7 million will rely on emergency food this week from local food pantries. In Missouri child hunger is at its highest.

At 23 percent, Missouri currently ranks fifth highest in the nation for children who are food insecure, according to studies done by the United States Department of Agriculture.

In Nodaway County alone, 41 percent of school children in grades K-12 qualify for free or reduced lunches and these numbers are expected to rise as the full effects of the economic downturn are felt.

Luckily, through Feeding America, a national non-profit organization dedicated to ending hunger, Missouri's hunger has a lifeline to satisfy its appetite.

Feeding America is a network of more than 200 food banks in the United States, District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. These national food banks fund smaller regional units, such as Second Harvest in St. Joseph, which then helps fund individual local food pantries.

While there are resources available, there are still many more in need.

Scott Tomhave, executive director of Second Harvest, says there are many faces of hunger.

"We see a lot of people who are seniors living on fixed incomes. We also see a lot of people who are unemployed or un-

deremployed who live in poverty overall," he said.

"According to statistics, a single parent raising two children would have to have an income of at least \$18 an hour to cover their expenses," Tomhave said. "For people without higher education those jobs just do not exist."

Second Harvest is the distributor for Nodaway County's food bank, The Ministry Center, which is ran entirely by volunteers.

Located at 971 S. Main St. in Maryville, the center is a two-part service agency, providing food and clothes.

Rod Shain, director of the food pantry, knows all too well how uneducated the public can be on hunger in their area.

"I was kind of blind to it," Shain said, "I was never really personally affected by it, but when you start looking at the statistics, like the fact that 510 elementary school children in our area qualify for free and reduced school lunches, it's amazing the way things are."

According to Shain, the faces of hunger are not always easily identified.

"You see all kinds of people and they are not always the kind of people you would expect to use these resources," Shain said. "It's hard for a lot of people to admit that they need help. I've seen people come in here and just cry and cry and say that they never thought that they would need to do this."

The faces of hunger are everywhere. Chances are, based on the numbers, everyone in Missouri knows someone who will have to go without food tonight.

HUMANE SOCIETY ADOPTION DRIVE



SETH COOK | MISSOURIAN PHOTOGRAPHER

ADALYN HORN plays with the kittens Kal and Kyle during the Humane Society's adoption event Saturday morning at Walgreens. Dogs can be adopted for \$80 which includes spay and neutering, shots, a microchip and some training. Cats, can currently be adopted for \$45 during the month of September. Check out the extra coverage of the event online.

Nodaway County brought back to life

BY EMILY JENKINS
Missourian Reporter

Residents of Nodaway County know very few obvious visual representations of archaeological or geologic history exist. This fact is what led Cathy Palmer, a volunteer at the Historical Society Museum, to promote an event surrounding her passion. She hopes that by getting her message out she can enlighten the community.

"I wanted to bring more of Nodaway County to life," Palmer said.

Last Sunday, the Nodaway County Historical Society held its annual event celebrating September as Archaeology Month. The event included an afternoon at the Historical Society Museum where three members of the commu-

nity displayed their findings and spoke with the attendees about the passion they have for geology. John Pope, an assistant professor at Northwest, was one of the presenters there to share his fervor.

"When we have a better understanding of how it all works, it helps us make more conservative choices," Pope said.

Pope reviewed a slide show covering the timeline of geologic formations. Pope teaches both Paleontology and Sedimentology.

While Pope looks at his passion for archaeology and geology from a scientific standpoint, Alan Coy sees it differently. Coy is a Maryville resident whose enthusiasm for

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LORI FRANKENFIELD | PHOTO EDITOR
LUMINARIES LINE THE track where the Relay for Life took place, symbolically leading participants onward in the struggle to end cancer.

America’s exploited workforce behind bars

BY PHILIP GRUENWALD
Opinion Editor

When the greatest workers’ rights travesty in decades is widely praised for its ingenuity, a drastic shift in priorities is needed. Privatized prison labor is hailed as the answer to prison overpopulation and prisoner rehabilitation. Here, the pursuit of justice is cut off by millions of dollars worth of revenue.

An economy-straining one percent of America’s population is behind bars, adding undue expense to the federal budget. It is a fiscal double-whammy: they are unable to contribute to their economy, instead living off of taxes. According to a Legislative Analyst’s Office report, the healthcare budget for inmates swelled past \$2.5 billion and grows by 27 percent annually.

The quick fix is to put inmates to work, “renting” them out to private businesses like AT&T, Boeing and Macy’s. Wages vary from 40 cents an hour to minimum wage. California’s entire inmate labor program funds itself, and the surplus (\$1.6 million, from 6,333 prison workers) is given back to the state.

On top of all of this, prisons house a disproportional amount of minorities. Beginning in 1971, the ‘War on Drugs’ has been largely credited for the mass incarceration of minorities. One cause is the disparity of sentence lengths for the more affordable “street” crack-cocaine versus the “luxury” powder. The result? For every 100,00 black males 22-44 years old, 36,932 were incarcerated, according to Private Prisons in

America by Michael A. Haslett. Compared to 4,954 for whites, it is a gross misrepresentation of race in America.

As the veil lifts, slavery’s ugly head is revealed. Under this system, black labor is exploited by force for absurdly little cost. Thirteenth Amendment phrasing ironically allows this, banishing slavery “except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted.”

Workers’ rights cannot breach these barbed wire fences and concrete walls. In order for private prisons to be economically viable, costs for personnel, living conditions and labor wages are comparatively lower than those from a state prison. Workers’ rights are nowhere to be found.

Meanwhile, 8.6 percent of the remaining population is unemployed; they scrounge for jobs, unable to compete with low wages of inmates. Ironically, giving those same jobs to citizens could keep them employed and off the streets, where the temptations of theft and drug trafficking could land them bunking with the very inmates who took their jobs.

The American prison system is a leaky bucket, but there are fixes: Make prison labor optional for each prisoner, improving rights. Level sentences for drug offenses to accurately represent race and ease overcrowding of prisons. Finally, enforce strict regulations on private prisons to end injustice.

Human rights cannot take a backseat to profit – private or public. Policy makers need to consider the integrity of freedom. Remember: even slavery looked good on paper.

OUR VIEW

Every charity has its place

Relay for Life cuts and divvies up its donations to three main outlets: finding a cure through research, aid to those who already have cancer and preventative programs like smoking bans and health awareness rallies. They should be applauded for all they do to cover all the bases, yet a more focused approach might be more effective.

Katie Couric and other celebrities made headlines with Stand Up to Cancer. This initiative hones their charity gifts to scientific research – 80 percent to American Association for Cancer Research and 20 percent to entrepreneurial cancer scientists, to be exact.

This way, they exercise the maximum reach of their financial contributions. They move figures of around \$100 million.

Baskets of Hope is a small St. Louis-founded charity that gives a basket of goodies to those afflicted with cancer, usually children. The baskets contain games, activities, CD player, CDs, DVDs, stuffed animals and Bibles. The Susan B. Komen foundation is a powerhouse charity, but also hosts a network of survivors and fellow patients, creating a strong sisterhood no dollar amount can match.

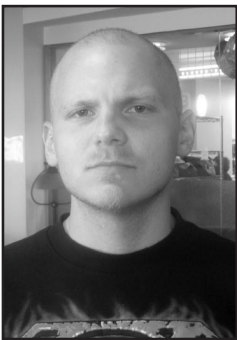
A few thousand dollars will not go

far when it comes to grant funding for scientific research. That kind of giving is best left to the experts such as Stand Up to Cancer or Susan B. Komen. Even easing treatment cost is too much to handle for grassroots organizations – it simply will not be felt.

Fortunately, cancer aid charities are varied and widespread enough to cover the assortment of fundraising needs related to the disease. Each charity, small as it may be, has its role in dealing with some aspect of the disease. Organizations like Relay for Life are a wonderful initiative whose dollar would go further in one piece.

CAMPUS TALK

Where do you think charities for cancer should focus their fundraising?



“Probably go to the victims, because I think it’s important to help who we can first.”

Brian Wagner,
Undecided



“I would say cancer awareness because that could make more donations to help out the other things.”

Jordan Andersen,
Secondary Education/
Special Education



“Aid to current patients. Awareness money is not being spent wisely. We just give them money and we don’t know where it goes.”

Mike Martin
Art



“Preventative and awareness programs. That way they can live a more healthy lifestyle to prevent them from getting cancer.”

Monica West
Elementary Education



“Research. More money will provide more results.”

Vladimir Younger
Art

Nine years later: Reflections on a cosmic war

BY BRANDON ALEXANDER
Contributing Columnist

Nine years have come and went since that fateful September morning. No one will ever forget the horrible image of two metal towers bleeding fire and smoke high above the New York City skyline. Almost immediately, Americans became resolute that the lives lost in the morning hours of Sept. 11, 2001, should be avenged. Two days later, surrounded by a crowd of recovery workers at Ground Zero, President Bush vowed that those responsible for the attacks would “hear from all of us soon.” Since America was the superior military power in the world many assumed that the War on Terror would be a quick, smashing defeat of a subservient enemy. However, nearly a decade later the War on Terror rages on, but why?

One cannot negate the impact that desperation plays in the human thought process. Desperate times

will always give rise to desperate solutions. Following World War I, the German economy struggled to recover its pre-war prominence. Due to economic disparity, the German people became desperate for something or someone to save them from oblivion. Enter into this mix Adolf Hitler and the rest is history. The same is just as true today as it was in the 1930s. Desperate times in Afghanistan gave rise to the prevalence of the Taliban and al-Qaeda, and desperate times continue to make extremist ideologies a suitable alternative the world over.

Thomas Freidman, political scientist and author, says the world is getting “hot, flat, and crowded.” As it becomes increasingly crowded humanity will compete for a limited amount of resources. In doing so, not everyone will get an equal slice of the proverbial pie. Thus, many in the world will be left with a sense of desperation, creating additional hotbeds for extremist ideologies such as al-

Qaeda to take root. Countries such as Yemen and Somalia could become the future Afghanistan.

Yemen is the poorest country in the Arab world, and has struggled with internal homogeneity and external strife since its unification in 1990. Somalia, especially the Puntland region, has recently become famous for its unemployed fishermen turned international pirates. Lawlessness and violence fueled by desperation increasingly are the norm, and both have become safe havens for al-Qaeda.

As the War on Terror presses on, military commanders and policy makers cannot ignore the bleak conditions that cloud many regions throughout the world. Until these conditions are rectified, extremist groups will continue to have a powerful influence. As the past nine years have highlighted, the cosmic War on Terror cannot and will not be won by military might alone.

WHAT THE DEUCE

The danger lurking beneath America



MCT CAMPUS

Going from Kia Sedona to debris in a matter of seconds, the charred remains of the minivan pictured here tells the story of the sudden explosion in a wealthy Californian neighborhood. A gas line break triggered the sequential fireball eruption in San Bruno, located 12 miles South of San Francisco, Sept. 10. Estimates say that at least four casualties and 49 destroyed homes resulted from the blast, the cause of which has yet to be identified.

In addition to the emergency town hall meeting hosted by Power, Gas and Electric on Sept. 11, a news release promised \$1 million to aid in reconstruction efforts through the American Red Cross, and full liability if found responsible. Still, it smells like a cover-up to some San Bruno residents who reported smelling gas for days prior to the explosion.

Underground pipelines snake across the entire nation, shutting the potent fuel under homes, roads and buildings. Explosions like this one are not at all regular occurrences, but its proximity to the highly-publicized BP Deepwater Horizon disaster should get Americans thinking about our unhealthy dependence on fossil fuels.

“Secret rotations among members enable PNMs to meet more faces, though specific topics cannot be discussed. Alcohol, boys and bank account discussion, for instance, can earn recruitment infractions.”

The NW Missourian would like to clarify in last week’s cover story, “What’s all the RUSH about?”, the following paragraph was not attributed to Melissa Boehmer, vice president of recruitment-internal, nor any member of Panhellenic council.

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cancer. She thought that was how everyone's story ended. Her neighbor and sister also battled cancer, but their stories had a different outcome – survival.

Roach had a similar negative reaction to her diagnosis, much like the reaction she had to her father and daughter's; she feared for her life and how she could tell her family the news. She feared that her story could not turn out the same as her neighbor and sister's, but it did.

Roach was able to wear a purple shirt at the relay – the color that all survivors wore as many of them participated in the “Survivors Lap” around the track.

Now, Roach's whole view has changed not only regarding cancer, but also life.

“Now I know there is hope,” Roach said. Never again will she see birthdays the same; she said each year has now become something special – an achievement.

Roach's view on birthdays is directly in line with this year's theme: Making another birthday. Roach said that the saying on the shirts, “Happy birthday is a victory song,” is more than true in her eyes.

The 335 participants in this year's event raised a total of \$68,400; donations are still coming in. All of that money will help cancer patients get and stay well and fund research for a cure. Funds will also be used to implement other preventative steps to eliminate common causes for some kinds of cancer, such as smoking bans.

“Someday, cancer will be curable,” Roach said. “We can't stop until it is.”

MARES: Taking one day at a time

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would always say ‘no Fred, no Hy-Vee.”

Or of Ruby Krome who wrote two poems for her friend Fred Mares. And when she died at age 106 he sang at her funeral.

“These memories are incredible,” Mares said as he remembered customers, friends and family both living and deceased.

It is customers and memories like these that are the reason Fred Mares loves what he does.

Mares believes that it is not just about serving people as a greeter at Hy-Vee but also out in the community. And this is why he makes sure to get involved, whether it is singing at someone's funeral, doing the emcee for Relay for Life or going to talk and share his experiences with students.

Mares is a man, like many, who has

had his ups and downs. He has suffered from depression, family losses and divorce, so being recognized by the people that care makes this award more than just another prize in one of his many boxes spread throughout his living-room.

“This award means so much more,” Mares said. “It is a culmination of faith.”

One could say Fred Mares is a man of song; he plays piano, guitar and sings to many of his family, friends and customers. His favorite song however, is the hymn “One Day at a Time, Sweet Jesus.” Maybe it helps him get through the day, maybe it is just what he likes to preach to others or maybe it goes back to lessons his mother taught him years ago.

“I'm only human, I'm just a man. Help me believe in what I could be and all that I am. Show me the stairway, I have to climb. Lord for my sake, teach me to take one day at a time,” Kris Kristofferson wrote.

OSBORN: Still grateful

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and he is going through chemo and he has not missed a practice yet. He's always up there in the booth. You can tell he enjoys it, too. It's a big time respect factor.”

Osborn's aggressive approach to chemo has forced him to adjust along the way, limiting the time he spends on the sideline, but not allowing that to prevent him from his duties as coach. He makes his way to the press box, where he adorns the headset for the remainder of practice.

With five hours of his day restricted to a recliner in the cancer treatment center, he finds his escape in the

Lamkin Activity Center, at the end of the familiar hallway that houses the football offices.

“It actually makes me feel normal when I leave here (the treatment center) and go up to the school for a couple of hours,” Osborn said.

Through all that Osborn has endured in just under the last year, he finds a silver lining in it all, a lining in the form of a message that would make any coach proud.

“It's made me realized that if you're going to go through life, you might as well do things the right way, as far as taking shortcuts and appreciating everything you have,” Osborn said.

CIE: New equipment enables growth

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Organic Chemistry, according to Michael Hull, Assistant Professor of Inorganic Chemistry.

“Having access to that newer equipment and broader range of equipment is useful,” Hull said. “For students doing research, all the instruments are available for hands-on training.”

Hull has seen a definite increase in the enrollment of the Nano Skills Science program, which was created in conjunction with the building. The Nano Skills Science program at Northwest is the only non-engineering-based program in the Midwest region.

“We definitely expect to see it expanding,” Hull said. “The more and more the instruments are online, faculty is trained on them and the students are trained on them, the more it will replicate and grow.”

Billesbach acknowledges the magnitude

of the equipment the CIE is holding.

“This is all new, that's what makes us so different,” Billesbach said. “We've got the latest here.”

A year after opening, and yet the CIE still lacks a student-based business in their incubator and has proven to be one of Billesbach's biggest goal for the year ahead.

“We will let students run a business out here,” Billesbach said. “We would love to have a student business, we don't at this time, and it'd be great.”

Another clear goal made by Billesbach is to recruit students to the Nano Skills Science program.

“We have a great opportunity to get science students to come to Northwest and major in Nano Skills Science,” Billesbach said. “Having access to that newer equipment and broader range of equipment is useful,” Hull said. “For students doing research, all the instruments are available for hands-on training.”

ROCKS: Aging beauty

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finding rocks came the very first time he came across an agate, a visually appealing mineral rock. He has been hooked ever since.

“We live in an area that is just abundant with interesting items, something that most people don't know about,” Coy said of his hobby.

This fact is not something missed by Dean Heflin. Heflin, a retired farmer, has been tracking the Maryville area for over fifty years. Standing over his impressive display cases of polished materials, ranging anywhere from petrified wood to everyday limestone, he recounts his early years of hunting for these geologic treasures along the riverbeds.

Aged rocks were more populous in Heflin's heyday, something that has changed in recent years. With a lesser availability of these impressive rocks, Heflin emotionally declares that he will one day return his findings to their rightful place in nature. It is his hope that by doing so, future generations will be able to carry on this tradition that has meant so much to him.



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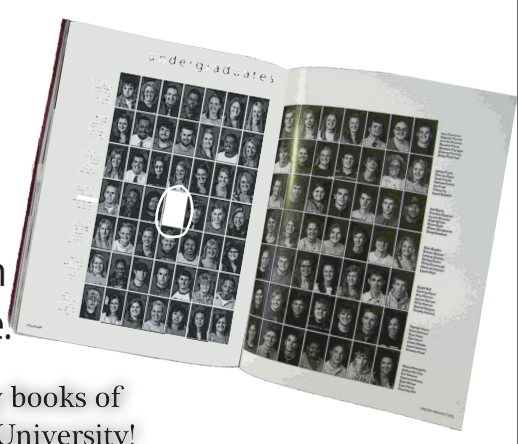
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FILLING BIG FOOTSTEPS



BY MATT LEIMKUEHLER
Features Editor

Terri Vogel stepped into the registrar position after Linda Girard retired with 28 years of service underneath her belt.

Vogel has spent 11 years at Northwest, including both teaching and secretarial positions in the agricultural department, as well as a few years experience working in the registrar's office.

As the registrar, Vogel is in charge of informing students of their academic standing, transcript distribution and requirement completion check for graduation.

Vogel took her love of working with students and used it as a key motiva-

tional tool to apply for the position.

"I find it rewarding," Vogel said. "I just thought it was another step."

Her experience helped prepare her for the tasks she would be taking on as the first new registrar in 28 years.

"It gives me a broad perspective," Vogel said. "I've been in the department. I've had a unique viewpoint from different areas, and I think that's helpful. I have some empathy."

The goals Vogel lays before her are clear and consistent, simple tasks she wants to strive to achieve in the near future.

"I want to find areas for improvement," Vogel said. "I don't want to guess what is important to our customers, I want to find out, and try to improve our service, make our service

meaningful."

Vogel highlights the area of service she wishes she had more control over and could improve upon.

"I think that people get frustrated with having to get all the signatures on forms," Vogel said. "Some things I can't effect change on. Can we make it easier, can we make it paperless?"

Vogel returned to working in the registrar's office after spending time teaching in the agricultural department. She shows a more content attitude with the new position.

"I like to work one-on-one with students," Vogel said. "I thought it would be a good fit for me."

The day-to-day life of the registrar has been a more strenuous task than what Vogel had imagined before.

"So far, it starts early and I'm here late," Vogel said.

Vogel has been adjusting to changes throughout the department, including a new degree audit system, which is now web-based and easier to read, according to Vogel, who was involved with the scribing of the new system.

"I'm excited about that because that's a great improvement," Vogel said. "People can keep a closer eye on the progress they're making."

The cohesion in the registrar's office creates a great working environment for Vogel and the rest of her staff, which is mixed of experience and youth. It shows a building block for the future in the office.

"It's the right mix," Vogel said. "I think we work well."

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Evolution of the Internet

1995

Founded in Pierre Omidyar's San Jose living room in September 1995. It wasn't until 1998 that the website took off, when Omidyar teamed with Meg Whitman, of Harvard School of Business. It didn't take long until the website began raking in huge dollars with endorsements from such businesses as Disney and General Motors, according to a Brandeis University study.

1997

In 1997, AOL debuted its first instant messaging program, most cleverly titled "AIM", according to im.about.com. AIM paved the way for other instant messaging programs created by both MSN and Yahoo!. Instant messaging provided a revolutionary way to stay in touch with your friends, as well as a revolutionary language (lol, noobz). Although instant messaging has died down in terms of users due to the spike in social networking, it is still very popular today.

1998

September 1998, Larry Page and Sergey Brin began Google operations in a garage in Menlo Park, California, after meeting and graduating together from the University of Stanford. In December of the same year, PC World magazine defines Google as one of the "Top 100 Web sites of 1998", according to Google.com. That was just the beginning. In 2010, Google has evolved into a verb, if you don't get it, just Google it.



Early 2004

In February 2004, Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg launched "The Facebook" and overnight there were 1,200 Harvard students registered. In 2006, the web site became available for anyone beyond college students to use, according to guardian.co.uk. Now, you can't go anywhere with out Facebook. The social networking king can be accessed from your mobile unit, including phones and iPods. It seems as though everyone has a Facebook, from your mom to President Jasinski.



1999

In 1999, college dropout Shawn Fanning launched the Peer 2 Peer file sharing program Napster, something that turned into an evolutionary and dramatic event in the history of the internet and music, according to ufl.edu. Napster was a way for people to share music files through the internet entirely free and illegally. Artists did not grow fond of the idea of Napster, and a Metallica-led lawsuit ensued. Metallica may have won the Napster battle, but other P2P sites such as Limewire and BearShare were born because of it.

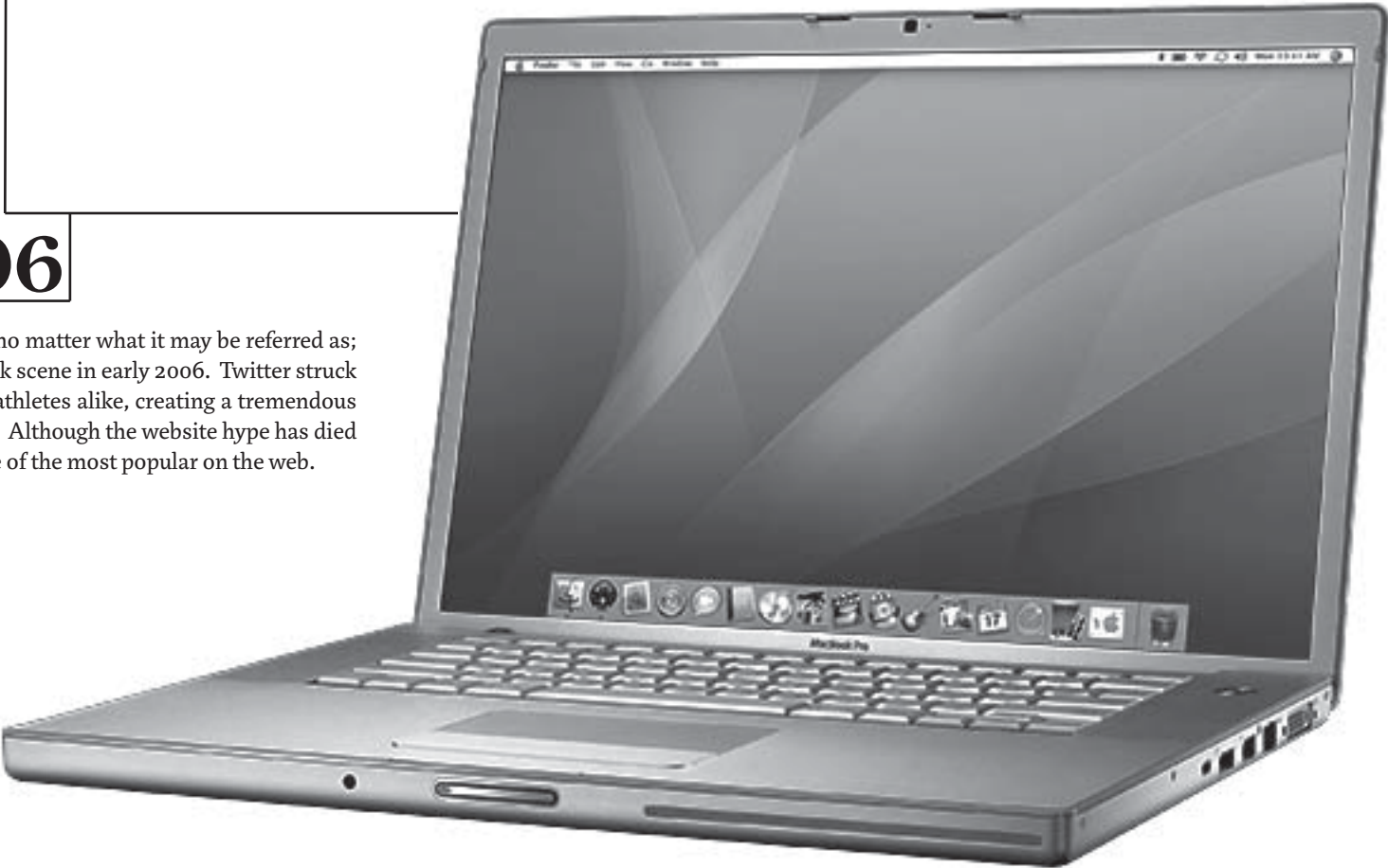
Mid 2004

The first YouTube video was uploaded on April 23, 2005, according to fastcompany.com. YouTube quickly became the hottest Web site online; anyone and everyone could become famous for doing anything from crying about double rainbows to biting fingers. YouTube created arguably the fastest wave of explosion out of any of the listed sites; now owned by Google, users upload an estimated 200,000 videos a day.



2006

Tweeting, Twitting, Twittering, no matter what it may be referred as; Twitter broke onto the social network scene in early 2006. Twitter struck like wildfire among celebrities and athletes alike, creating a tremendous dent in the social networking scene. Although the website hype has died down in recent months, it is still one of the most popular on the web.



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After the loss to Iowa Saturday, even cyclone fans can agree the team shows lack of gusto.

Ludo's new record doesn't live up to fan standards

BY BEN LAWSON
Missourian Reporter

Ludo won a loyal fan base with the indie success of its previous two albums. But its third album, Prepare the Preparations, feels weaker than the band's previous releases.

The pop-rock band is best known and loved for its whimsical and ironically grim humor, but fans won't find any of their signature dark humor in Prepare the Preparations.

Ludo's founding members are Missouri natives. Guitarist and lead vocalist, Andrew Volpe, met guitarist Tim Ferrell while they were both on break from separate colleges. Both Volpe and Ferrell are from the St. Louis area.

For its most recent release,

the group sticks to the lighter side of life and loses some of its previous attraction. Prepare the Preparations lacks the personality of 2008's You're Awful, I Love You.

Prepare the Preparations hits high points with tracks like "Too Tired to Wink", "Anything for You" and "Whipped Cream", the debut single for the album. In "Whipped Cream" lead vocalist Andrew Volpe belts out "I want it with whipped cream on it/ baby give me give me give me your love" in the traditional Ludo style. "Whipped Cream" is the kind of song Ludo fans expect with its catchy and poppy chorus it could get anyone bopping their head.

But those few key tracks can't save the whole of the album. Most songs on the album feel a little lack-luster. Tracks like "Bat-

tle Cry" and "Overdone" go on for too long and feel empty. Most tracks lack the usual whimsical Ludo feel. It seems as if Ludo was just trying to fill the album and sloppily threw together a bunch of songs.

Fans look to Ludo for its bright and peppy sound, but that is not found on Prepare the Preparations. Most of the songs on the album feel like they are building up to a point they never reach. The song never seems to reach that energetic high point that listeners are waiting for.

"Whipped Cream" earned its place among classic Ludo tracks like "Love Me Dead" and "Lake Ponchotrain" but fans will find Prepare the Preparations as a whole, disappointing. Maybe their next release will meet audiences' needs.



Artist- Ludo
Release Date- September 7
Genre- 46 minutes 51 seconds
Record Label- Island Records

2/5 Paws
Members of the Band:
Andrew Volpe, Tim Ferrell,
Tim Convy, Matt Palmermo

STROLLER: Your Man's take on the essence of short men

Before I go into this tangent, I would like to formally introduce myself. I am Your Man, and I'm replacing Your Old Man. All introductions aside, I believe it's time to "stroll."

There has been something Your Man has always wanted to get off his chest. It seems that he has taken a dislike to men of below average height. Since I'm tall, I guess I have a tendency to look down on short people (no pun intended).

To myself, you fall into the "short" category when your overall existence is less than 5 feet 8 inches. If you're smaller than that, I hate to break it to

you, but you're short.

More than anything, I love watching short men with tall girlfriends. For one, it's hilarious to watch, but on top of that, some serious questions come to mind. They go as followed:

"Hey short man, when you're with you're girlfriend, does she kiss you on the forehead?"

"Hey short man, when you go out together, do you wear the heels?"

"Hey short man, when you're with your girlfriend, is she the big spoon?"

"Hey short man, when you tell your girlfriend to get on your knees, is it because you want a kiss?"

I think the only way for me to actually ask these questions to any short man would be to have a lot of alcohol in my system. For the sake of peace and some bruised shins, I'm most likely better off keeping it to myself.

The other thing that gets me is a short person's need to compensate for their shortness. The Napoleon complex if you will. It seems the shorter a person is, the cooler their stuff is to compensate for their not-so-impressive stature. I cannot tell you how many times I've seen something like a Hummer, Yukon, Escalade, or any other impressive SUV, and have it followed

by a man crawling out of it with custom step-ladders. It seems counterintuitive to have such a large car when you're so small.

However, I will have to give my kudos to any man dating an attractive, taller woman. Though I may give you props, I probably won't be too fond of you. While you're standing on your tiptoes to give your girlfriend a kiss, I'll be somewhere enjoying my height; perhaps reaching for something out of a cabinet.

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This ain't your daddy's football

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

Please, just sit there and enjoy the game. Clap and cheer when the team succeeds, or curse and yell when they fall short. But, whatever you do, stop trying to out-coach the man being paid to wear the headset. It never fails: Every game has that one dad who always has a comment. If you have ever been subjected to sitting in the same section as that person(s), you fight the urge to walk down the row of bleachers and scream until you're blue in the face, letting them know how foolish they sound. I'm sure you had a wonderful high school career. You may have even had a mediocre college career if you were lucky enough. But that doesn't mean you know how to coach, so stop pretending. It doesn't matter how much time you spend "analyzing" the game from your recliner, or how seasoned you are at leading your fantasy team to dynasty status, you're still the Monday morning quarterback with zero credibility. You know only what your high school coach preached, your father, who also happened to know nothing about

football, droned on about and the commentary from your Madden series has informed of when it comes to cover-two's or play-action passes. It takes a unique mind to take the headset and devote months upon months of the year to the sport of football. You sit behind a desk or sell cars, not spending all hours of the night watching film, losing sleep worrying about schemes or bursting blood vessels in your forehead reprimanding athletes. Your wife is embarrassed to be seated by you; your son wishes they could crawl under the bench and hide when they hear the idiotic things spouting from your mouth. Sitting in your seat and questioning a four-time National Coach of the Year in a tone that indicates you could perform better than the man whose job it is to win, which he does frequently, is just unwise. Yelling at the coach, who just led the team to their second State Championship in school history, whether or not he has any other plays in his playbook is dumbfounding. I understand the reality of you finding out your football knowledge is elementary, but, hey at least we all know you have one killer fantasy football team.

Sports Stove

(Examining the predictions, triumphs and completely ridiculous blunders in sports,)

Simmering

I think I'm going to regret not picking up Houston Texans running back Arian Foster in the late rounds of my fantasy draft. Now, the Colts run-D is not the stoutest group in the league, but they somehow always find a way to make a deep run in the playoffs against teams who excel at the ground game. Look for Foster to rush his way into the top five rushers in the league.

Order Up

You already know what I'm watching this week. The No. 9 Iowa Hawkeyes make the trek out to the campus of the No. 24 Arizona Wildcats in this week's only Top 25 match up. Ricky Stanzi and the rest of the Iowa backfield face a tough test with Arizona's game changing defensive line. This will certainly be a defensive dominated first half, but look for the offenses to wear out those down linemen on both teams in the second half. See my picks for the outcome of this game.

Grease Fire

Hm, who to be more embarrassed for this week? The NFL for making a simple game complicated? Or Virginia Tech for losing to James Madison? I might have to go with Beamer and the Hokies on this one. Va. Tech is quickly spiraling down and losing voters respect if they keep finding a way to lose close games. In a season where many key pieces needed to secure a spot in the National spotlight were back for the Hokies, it has quickly turned to panic mode in hopes to salvage a busted season.

SPORTS STAFF GAME PICKS

Tony's Picks
Prediction record (0-0)
College Lock
Iowa at Arizona--Hawkeyes
I don't even have to refer to last season to defend this pick. Iowa is looking scary good already on the defensive side of the ball, and is certainly no slouch when it comes to handling the rock either. Iowa runs the ball down the Wildcats throat this weekend.

College Upset
Mississippi State at Louisiana State-- 'Dogs
LSU barely got out of Chapel Hill alive, while the Bulldogs took it to the wire against a very athletic Auburn team. I don't trust the Tigers in the hands of QB Jordan Jefferson .Look for the Tigers to come out flat against an amped up MSU, setting up an early SEC upset.

Trey's picks
Prediction record (0-0)
College Lock
Arizona State at Wisconsin--Badgers
Wisconsin is coming in hot, proving they can put up some decent double digit wins and get 'er done. I see Arizona State struggling in this match up simply because penalties lose games more than they win them. Twenty-four penalties in two games is not gonna cut it here sir.

College Upset
Clemson at Auburn--Tigers
Clemson offers a rushing attack that has the ability to be electrifying with the "New Storm." Especially going up against an Auburn team that until the Mississippi State game hadn't really shown a defense that proved they were a force to be reckoned with.

Seth's Picks
Prediction record (0-0)
College Lock
Air Force at Oklahoma--Sooners
Are you kidding me? This is easy pickins here. The Sooners don't lose in Norman and they aren't going to start now. Sure Air Force has been tearing up the nation in rushing, leading the nations with 423 yards a game, but now they face a real opponent that just got done showing FSU what it means to be a ranked team. Sorry Falcons, you caught OU hot.

College Upset
Florida at Tennessee--Vols
It's becoming pretty clear this isn't the Gators of old. This team, led by QB John Brantley, can't find any rhythm on offense and now heads to Knoxville to face a routy crowd and a conference rival . I smell a BCS buster waiting to happen.

Austin's Picks
Prediction record (0-0)
College Lock
Nebraska at Washington--Huskies
The Huskers will run all over the Huskies. Literally. The No. 8 team in the nation has dominated defenses in the first two weeks, averaging over 320 yards a game. It's going to be a long 60 minutes in Seattle for the Huskies.

College Upset
Houston at UCLA--Bruins
The Bruins defense will look to take advantage of Houston QB Case Keenum's recent concussion. If Keenum is unable to play Saturday's game, the Cougars will be facing a steep task against a Pac-10 opponent. UCLA is hungry and looking to bounce back after being shutout last week by Stanford.

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JUNIOR DEFENDER CHRIS Holtman chases down an errant kick during a match against Smithville Tuesday. Maryville was shutout 7-0, and played a man down during the second half.

Offense absent in loss

BY SPENCER SHULTZ
Missourian Reporter

Losing is never fun, but being shut out is even worse. The Maryville boys' soccer team experienced just that Tuesday at Kawasaki Field. The now 5-3-2 Spoofhounds were held scoreless Tuesday during a 7-0 loss to conference opponent Smithville High School.

Smithville jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first half and only added on during the second half with the 'Hounds being down a man. Smithville scored in the 26th minute of play on a goal from Austin Ellwein, and in the 35th minute on a goal from Hank Richey that was assisted by Ethan Hayes.

Despite the loss, head coach Stuart Collins believes that his team has what it takes to win and is extremely confident in his team's ability to bounce back from the loss.

"The guys are in pretty good spirits," Collins said. "They know they played hard, and played well the second half. They did the best they could do and I don't see a problem with

them being able to bounce back."

Collins was also impressed with sophomore goalkeeper Michael Spencer who seems to be picking the game up extremely quickly after only playing eight varsity games with the 'Hounds. Collins feels as though Spencer has filled a void for the 'Hounds.

"He has really picked it up and done a fine job," Collins said. "He is learning in leaps and bounds."

Spencer ended the game with 18 saves for the 'Hounds. Collins was also pleased with how his boys played the second half being a man down, after an intentional touch of the ball in the box sent sophomore defender Andrew Wiederholt to the bench. After the booking, Collins felt like the team started playing possession ball in the second half and knows that they gave it their best effort despite what they were facing.

The Spoofhounds will be going up against Maur Hill Prep School this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. at Maur Hill Prep High School in Atchison, Kan.

Slow start ends with strong finish

BY JASON LAWRENCE
Missourian Reporter

Two different teams showed up for the Spoofhound volleyball team in their three-set home win over Benton on Tuesday night.

The first set started out slow for Maryville, falling behind 7-3 to the Cardinals.

"I don't know if we got pumped up enough before we came out," head coach Lori Klaus said. "It was kind of a slow start. We know that we can play Benton. We have a tradition of starting out slow for some reason."

The 'Hounds caught up and even took a 3-point lead before falling 25-23 in the first of three sets on the night.

Maryville came alive in the second set, pinning the Cardinals down

4-1 before they knew what hit them.

"I think once we started hitting the ball, started swinging, then we just got fired up and played a lot better," Klaus said.

Benton regrouped and kept it close until junior Kaylee Green took over with her serving while Maryville protected a 16-15 lead.

The 'Hounds became the aggressor as Green served out the match, adding a couple of aces during a 9-0 run, on the way to a 25-15 victory and more importantly an opportunity to play for the third and final set.

"She really does a good job of picking a girl," Klaus said. "If they make a mistake, I'm coming right back to you. She's confident in placing the ball where I ask her too and she did a really good job."

The 'Hounds kept the momentum

going and held a big lead for most of the game, winning 25-16. The victory pushed their record to 13-2 on the season, despite losing 11 seniors from last year's fourth-place State team.

With only one returner in All-States setter Rachel Tobin, the 'Hounds continue their blistering start, including a sweep of last weekend's Higginsville Tournament. The team finished 5-0, defeating Higginsville in three sets during the final.

Maryville hits the court again tonight against Lafayette in the first home conference game of the season. Game time is set for 5 p.m. at Maryville High School with the freshmen playing first.

"I expect us to come out strong and play our game and come home with a win," Klaus said.



JUNIOR KAY-LEE GREEN sends a serve over the net. Green served the final 10 points of game two, a 25-15 win. Maryville won the match 2-1 over Benton.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

BEARCATS

T.R. Pursell



Junior runner T.R. Pursell led the 'Cats to their Bearcat Open title over William Jewel with a 21:13.8 mark in the men's four-mile race.

Angela Adams



Junior runner Angela Adams smashed the Bearcat Open 5k course record, finishing in 18:26.7. Her time ranks sixth in program history.

Nick Groumoutis



Junior fullback Nick Groumoutis pounded the McCluer defense, finishing with 145 rushing yards and two rushing touchdowns in the 'Hounds 36-22 victory.

Holly Wilmarth



Junior pitcher Holly Wilmarth tossed a rain soaked, two-hit shutout Monday against Lafayette, striking out 8 Lady Irish. She also went 1-3 at the plate.

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Adams breaks
5k record in
season opener

BY BRIAN BOSILJEVAC
Chief Reporter

The men’s and women’s cross country teams started the season off in strong fashion.

The two swept their first race of the season, taking home first place on their home course in the Bearcat Open.

“It’s nice, but the place wasn’t really the objective,” head coach Scott Lorek said. “Our main objective was to kind of set the tone for a lot of things we want to carry out for the rest of the season. We made a lot of mental goals heading into this race.”

The women’s team not only beat out William Jewell and Peru State, but junior Angela Adams set a course record on the five-kilometer race.

Adams set the record-time at 18:26.7, which is 44.5 seconds faster than the previous record set by Northwest’s Anna O’Brien in 2008.

The time also put Adams in sixth place in program history for the 5K. Her time was a 2 minute, 24 second improvement on her time in the exact same race one year ago.

“Honestly she is just very, very talented,” Lorek said. “I have been holding her back more than anything else. We’ve been training her on a very long range plan. Her high school times weren’t all that impressive, but she showed a lot of promise. Last year she really took on cross country and track went well. There is just so much we don’t do with her training wise. This past summer is the first time she has had some training maybe comparable to people she is competing with on the national level.”

The rest of the women’s team lived up to their No. 22 ranking in the opening race of the season as well.

The Bearcats placed five runners in the top seven finishing positions on the day.

The ‘Cats finished with 23 points, which was 12 points better than second place, William Jewel.

“It’s desire and it’s commitment,” Lorek said. “These are basically the same group of girls we’ve had for three or four years. There haven’t been too many transfers or freshmen. The heart of this team has been the same. They’ve just gotten better. From a team stand point they have bought into what I’m selling and that’s commitment to training all year around.”

The men also took first place at the Bearcat Open.

Matt Pohern, a Northwest graduate competing for Team Biturong, finished the race first with a time of 21:10.6.

Team Biturong is a club established for graduates, allowing them to compete and train in cross country.

Northwest’s T.R. Pursell finished as the race’s top collegiate performer, finishing three seconds behind Pohern.

Zach Layton, Sean Feehan and Carl Larsson of Northwest finished the race in third, fourth, and fifth place, respectively.

“I think they showed some great potential in the first race,” Lorek said. “I think it’s going to be a month and then we’ll be a whole different team. We had some injury problems over the summer. We’ve got some guys that I think in a month from now are really going to make a

NORTHWEST SOCCER



FILE PHOTO

SENIOR MIDFIELDER ANDREA Freeman tries to advance the ball upfield during a match against Nebraska-Omaha last year. The Bearcats take on No. 16 Central Missouri (3-0) at 4 p.m. this afternoon at Bearcat Pitch. The ‘Cats enter this MIAA competition winless, after playing in double-overtime games in three of their four games already this season.

Lowell, team take third in fall opener

BY BRYCE MERENESS
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest women’s golf team got off to a fast start taking third in the Iowa Western Lady Reiver Classic. Freshman Cassie Lowell crushed the previous school record by 10 strokes after shooting a 73 on the second day, earning her third place individually.

“(My performance) gives me confidence, but I still have to work hard,” Lowell said. “I have a lot of areas of improvement, the second day I stayed focused and probably played the best that I have in a long time.”

The record setting performance came in Lowell’s first collegiate golf tournament. Fourth year golf coach Pat McLaughlin expects this trend to continue.

“This is something that I would anticipate her to continue throughout her college career,” McLaughlin said. “This was not a fluke by any means, but something she definitely has the skills for. She is a very dedicated and hard working young golfer. We expect great things from Cassie Lowell.”

The rest of the team finished in the top half of the field. Senior Jessica Feuerbach placed tied for 16th, senior Erin Luchtel finished in a tie for 19th, sophomore Tess Edwards tied for 23rd and junior Megan Chaney rounded out the performance in a tie for 26th.

The Bearcats have a chance to continue their good start pulling double duty this weekend, first going to Lamoni, Iowa for the Graceland Yellow Jacket Invitational and then traveling to Lincoln,


Neb. for the Nebraska Wesleyan Tournament. McLaughlin is anxious for the opportunity.

“With the scores that we came out with from our first tournament, I am excited for the possibility of the improvement that we continue to make,” McLaughlin said, “I hope we keep moving up (the leader board) in our competitions as we go through the season.”

Lowell hopes that the results will serve as a stepping-stone for the rest of the fall season.

“I was very proud of (my accomplishment), and now I am out to break my own record,” Lowell said. “There is a lot of potential on this team and I hope that my performance helps the rest of the girls be determined to go out and play their best as well.”

SCOREBOARD	SOCCER (9-9) Northwest 0 At Truman 1 Second time this season ‘Cats have been shut out.	SOCCER (9-11) Maryville 1 At Mo-Western 1(20T) The third double overtime match played this season.	TENNIS Mens - Womens - Currently competing in individual competition.
	VOLLEYBALL Northwest 12, 17, 13 At Washburn 25,25,25 Hanna had a team-high seven kills, Falcone had four kills.	GOLF Northwest @ Iowa Western Reiver Classic The team placed fourth and Lowell shot a +1 on day two.	CROSS COUNTRY Men’s 1st Womens’ 1st Adams smashed the old course record by 44 seconds.



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BATTLE WITH CANCER



LORI FRANKENFIELD | PHOTO EDITOR
GRADUATE ASSISTANT wide receivers coach Joel Osborn, walks back to his chair after using the restroom. Osborn's treatment causes frequent bathroom visits during his six-hour cancer center stays.



Former signal caller facing long road

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

The sinking news came early last November at a time when most families were beginning to prepare for the holiday rush and while the Northwest football team prepared for one of their toughest tests of the year.

With Central Washington staring the 'Cats directly in the face, former quarterback and current wide receiver's coach, Joel Osborn was facing an even scarier foe: cancer.

Osborn discovered a small lump in his testicle, but admitted a sense of denial at his untimely discovery.

"I didn't feel the side affects of being sick," Osborn said. "I could just feel a lump...I was kind of in denial a little bit and then things all of sudden came to a point, when one day I was working out and everything was really sensitive. I sat down and it was sensitive: I was in pain."

After being directed to see a doctor, his denial soon turned to reality. The lump had progressed to a tumor larger than the size of his testicle, which called for immediate surgery and removal of both the cyst and testicle.

Today, Osborn finds himself fighting and treating his condition with regular visits to cancer treatment facilities to receive chemotherapy, which has left him bald but not discouraged.

With his newly wed wife, Audrey, by his side, Osborn sits through treatment after treatment of intensive chemo, lasting five hours per day, with bathroom breaks needed every five to 10 minute for the first five days of each 21-day cycle. The extent of his chemo stretches over an 84-day stint. Osborn said the side

affects last well past the five initial days of chemo, extending to the tenth day of each cycle before he feels well again.

The treatment wreaks havoc on Osborn's sense of taste, turning his meals into an effort to swallow without choking on the tasteless mass. Even water is unappealing to the taste pallet as a distinct metallic taste overcomes his sense of taste. But, he and his wife have discovered through efforts of trial and error that Gatorade is one thing he can tolerate, evident by the large bottle that rests by his chair during treatment.

Osborn refuses to let this hinder his duties as a graduate assistant. Coaching from up in the box during the Cal-Penn. semifinal game, he found himself down on the field one short week later for the National Championship against Grand Valley.

Osborn is no stranger to the title game or even the day-in and day-out grind it takes to find oneself toeing the line as one of the championship finalists.

"He was the epitome of preparation," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "You couldn't find anyone who put more into his game preparation, from film study, to conditioning, workouts, what he did on the practice field; everything he did in preparation for football, he did to the very best of his ability. That's why when this all came about I didn't have any doubts that it'd be the same type of thing for coaching."

Junior Jake Soy and the wide receiving core get the chance to work with Osborn on a daily basis whether it be from his view from the booth or one-on-one down on the field.

"I have a lot of respect for him," Soy said. "Everyone has a lot of respect for him. You seem him out there

See **OSBORN** on A5

Tjeerdsma, offense target young UNO defense

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

Running onto the field for an afternoon practice, a Northwest player yelled about getting the bad taste out of his mouth.

After two weeks to mull over the season-opening loss to Texas A&M-Kingsville, that opportunity is days away in the Nebraska-Omaha nightcap.

The No. 7 Bearcats travel to Omaha for the season's first MIAA conference game against the Mavericks.

Throwing the ball efficiently and protecting senior Blake Bolles during the process is a key component of the 'Cats winning ways that was addressed during a week of practice intended to get back to doing what the team does best.

"That's been one of our concerns," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said, "and one of the things we've worked on this last week, is that for our offensive line to be physical, to accept the challenge of protecting our quarterback and the play-action pass and being able to run the football. I think that's going to be one of the real keys; is how these older guys respond. They all got experience so it's a matter of being focused and responding to the challenge."

Through the team's film sessions Tjeerdsma has been able to pick out personnel changes to a younger, but none-the-less improving defense.

A tandem for the 'Cats that could exploit the young defense is the dynamic Bolles-to-Soy duo, that only produced 55 yards on 5 receptions against TAMKU.

"We're just trying to come out here and work hard this week," junior wide receiver Jake Soy said. "Just make sure we got everything perfected, not get it in on Saturday. No, we're going to do it right now."

With the passing attack in need of a jumpstart, the ground game is also looking for the spark absent in the team's recent contest.

"Like anytime, we want to stay balanced," Tjeerdsma said. "We run to run the football because we like to throw play-action off of it. If you can't run the football, your play-action isn't very good. I think we have to get in there and the big emphasis is being physical this week, and play physical up front."

Something that is hard to measure while watching film, but all the same missing from the team's loss, was the level of enjoyment for the game, according to Tjeerdsma.

"Football is still a game and you need to have fun playing the game," Tjeerdsma said. "We didn't have much fun in that first game, obviously it's not much fun when you're not winning, but we just seemed real tight and not enjoying the opportunities that we have. We really worked on that as well."

With this weekend's game being televised on the new MIAA Network, a slight change was made to Saturday's start time. The kickoff will be at 6:20 p.m. at Al Caniglia Field in Omaha, Neb.

Confident backfield awaits Irish

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

Someone is scratching their head trying to figure out where Maryville's offensive explosion came from Friday night.

Even the video game-like numbers the Spoofhounds' backfield amassed against McCluer surprised head coach Chris Holt.

The 417 yards helped propel the 'Hounds to a 36-22 win over a very athletic and physical Comet squad.

"Four hundred and seventeen yards, that's awesome," Holt said. "Don't get me wrong, but I didn't expect that."

However, that should be no surprise when it comes to the 'Hounds willingness to run the ball in their traditional offensive

scheme.

With two backs, junior Nick Groumoutis and senior Gavin Talmadge, piling up 100-yard games last week, Holt and the confident backfield look to continue their success this week against conference foe Lafayette.

"We do go into each week thinking we're going to run the football," Holt said. "That's not going to change."

While the defense experienced issues with the deep pass last week against McCluer, they now must prepare to face a mobile threat at quarterback who has the ability to throw on the run and make big plays.

"Nelson (Lafayette quarterback) does most of his damage with his legs," Holt said. "Most of his passing game comes off

scrambling or boot legs and things like that. So, it's a different type of game, not a drop back passing game like we saw out of McCluer. It's a different type of preparation."

A key entering into Friday is the ability to control the line of scrimmage, something the 'Hounds had little problems with offensively or defensively last Friday.

"If we can control the trenches, we feel that we can have an advantage," Holt said. "Lafayette is a lot like us, they have inexperienced kids. But, we are more experienced on the defensive line than they are."

One thing is for sure, the three-headed monster sitting in the 'Hounds backfield will not be lacking any confidence behind their learning offensive line.



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JUNIOR FULLBACK NICK Groumoutis rumbles towards a McCluer defender last Friday. Groumoutis rushed the ball 21 times for 145 yards and two touchdowns in the 'Hounds' 36-22 victory. Maryville heads to St. Joseph tomorrow to take on the Lafayette Fighting Irish.

"It made our team really confident knowing we could run all over a Class 5 school," Groumoutis said, "so, we think we can do the

same for any other school."

Holt and the 'Hounds take the field for a 7 p.m. kick off tomorrow night at Lafayette High School.